

## ABSTRACT

In machine translation and automatic interpretation processing, it is possible to appropriately translate proper nouns not registered to a dictionary. The proper noun dictionary data generating means 21 generates proper noun user dictionary data according to a predetermined rule using proper nouns in a target language kept in the proper noun storage section 31. The generated proper noun user dictionary data is stored in the proper noun user dictionary storage section 32. The proper noun user dictionary is outputted to the output device 4 at any time to be referred to when a translation object sentence is inputted. The machine translation means 22 conducts translation using, in addition to the machine translation dictionary, the proper noun user dictionary stored in the proper noun user dictionary storage section 32.